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Group Art Unit: 2814

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For: IMPROVED DEPTH OF FOCUS (DOF)  
FOR TRENCH-FIRST-VIA-LAST (TFVL)  
DAMASCENE PROCESSING WITH  
HARD MASK AND LOW VISCOSITY  
PHOTORESIST

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JULY 16, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 16, 2003 for which the date for response is August 16, 2003.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. Deposit Account No. 01-036/TT3851. In the event the monies in that account are insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to

withdraw funds from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786 /2000.046600/SFD.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-20, *i.e.*, the Group I claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (608) 833-0748 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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